

In the Matter of)
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CONRAD ORANGE SHIPYARD, INC.)
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Licensee of Marine Utility Station WQPU707)

ORDER OF MODIFICATION

Adopted: October 21, 2014

Released: October 22, 2014

By the Deputy Chief, Mobility Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau:

1. *Introduction.* In this *Order of Modification*, we modify the license of Conrad Orange Shipyard, Inc. (Conrad) for Marine Utility Station WQPU707, to delete frequencies 157.350 MHz and 161.950 MHz. As explained below, we take this action pursuant to an earlier order proposing to modify Conrad's license.¹

2. *Background.* In 1998, the Commission adopted a geographic licensing approach for VHF band (156-162 MHz) public coast (VPC) spectrum.² Later in 1998, the Commission conducted the initial auction of VPC geographic licenses. On August 20, 2012, Conrad was granted a license for a marine utility station in an area of east Texas.³ Among the frequencies assigned were 157.350 MHz and 161.950 MHz (VPC Channel 27A/B).⁴ Consequently, we proposed on our own motion to modify the license for Station WQPU707 to delete frequencies 157.350 MHz and 161.950 MHz because the subject channels were not available for assignment to Conrad when the application was granted because they were already assigned in that region.⁵

3. *Discussion.* The *Order Proposing Modification* was released on September 15, 2014. Conrad did not protest the proposed modification of its license within the requisite thirty-day time frame.⁶ Accordingly, Conrad is deemed to have consented to the proposed modification.⁷ Based on the record before us, we conclude that it is in the public interest to modify Conrad's license for Station WQPU707 by deleting frequencies 157.350 MHz and 161.950 MHz.

¹ See Conrad Orange Shipyard, Inc., *Order Proposing Modification*, DA 14-1325 (WTB MD rel. Sept. 15, 2014) (*Order Proposing Modification*).

² Amendment of the Commission's Rules Concerning Maritime Communications, *Third Report and Order and Memorandum Opinion and Order*, PR Docket No. 92-257, 13 FCC Rcd 19853, 19859 ¶ 10 (1998).

³ See FCC File No. 0005341395.

⁴ See 47 C.F.R. § 80.371(c)(1)(i).

⁵ See *Order Proposing Modification*, DA 14-1325 at ¶ 4.

⁶ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.87(g)(1).

⁷ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.87(h).

4. *Conclusion and Ordering Clauses.* ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to Sections 4(i) and 316(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 316, and Section 1.87 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.87, that the license for Marine Utility Station WQPU707, held by Conrad Orange Shipyard, Inc. BE MODIFIED by deleting frequencies 157.350 MHz and 161.950 MHz.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this *Order of Modification* SHALL BE SENT by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Conrad Orange Shipyard, Inc., 710 Market Street, Orange, TX 77630 ATTN Eric Bland.

6. This action is taken under delegated authority pursuant to Sections 0.131 and 0.331 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.131, 0.331.

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